



## Department of International Relations, University of Dhaka

National Seminar

On

Rethinking Curricula and Pedagogy in International Relations

Call for Papers

The department of International Relations, University of Dhaka is implementing a project titled “Innovative and Performance Based Teaching and Learning Programs in International Relations” funded by UGC-HEQEP.

The goals of the project are: to revise existing academic curriculum to incorporate new concepts and theoretical developments in the field of International Relations; and to deal with pertinent issues on teaching methods and learning process in the Department. In this regard, the department plans to organize a daylong national seminar on “Rethinking Curricula and Pedagogy in International Relations” on 10 December 2011. The discussion will lead to academic enrichment and professional engagement towards educational reform and social change.

### Objectives

- ▶ Furthering debates on education in social sciences, particularly in the field of International Relations;
- ▶ Initiating discussion pertaining to the teaching methods used in social sciences;
- ▶ Creating spaces for reflections for the students on the curriculum development processes, higher education policies, structures, and participation; and
- ▶ Sharing existing quality enhancement processes to the curricula developments and pedagogical changes in the field of social science.

### Themes

- ▶ Re-examining the relevance of studying social sciences in Bangladesh
- ▶ Changes in context, focus, teaching methods and relevance for studying I.R. in the context of Bangladesh
- ▶ Social Science teaching methods in public universities
- ▶ Social Science teaching methods in private universities

### Abstract Submission

Please submit your abstract (250 words) on the themes to the contact address below by September 25, 2011. Earlier submissions may have an advantage in the selection process.

Please use either .doc or .docx (Word) format in your submission. The submission should include:

- Paper title,
- Author(s) names,
- Affiliation and contact details;

Abstracts for consideration should be submitted via email to:

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### Important Dates

Abstract Submission: 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2011

Notification of Selected Papers: 6 October, 2011

Draft paper submission: 31<sup>st</sup> November, 2011

Date of the Seminar: 10 December, 2011

✓ Paper presenters will be given a token honorarium.

✓ Authors selected from outside Dhaka will be provided with travel allowances and local hospitality.

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